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In re the Application of

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TITLE: AN Al-Zn-Mg-Cu ALLOY WITH IMPROVED DAMAGE TOLERANCE-STRENGTH COMBINATION PROPERTIES

**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**

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Sir:

Pursuant to Rules 56 and 98, Applicants hereby call the attention of the Patent Office to the reference listed on the attached Form PTO 1449.

Applicants present this reference so that the Patent Office may, in the first instance, determine any relevancy thereof to the presently claimed invention, see Beckman Instruments, Inc. v. Chemtronics, Inc., 439 F.2d 1369, 1380, 165 USPQ 355, 364 (5th Cir. 1970). Also see Patent Office Rule 104. Applicants respectfully request that this reference be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application and made of record herein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue herefrom.

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